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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Ando et al.

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Examiner: Thai Ba Trieu

For: VARIABLE NOZZLE CONTROL APPARATUS OF TURBOCHARGER

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313 - 1450

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 22, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 2-14 are all the claims presently pending in the application. Claims 2-4 are amended to more clearly define the invention, claim 1 is canceled, and claims 5-14 are added.

Claims 2 and 5 are independent.